

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/055,201

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Examiner
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1763



All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Rudy Zervigon (3) _____
(2) Guy Tucker (415.538.1555) (4) _____

Date of Interview Dec 2, 1999

Type: ☒ Telephonic ☐ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☐ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement ☐ was reached. ☒ was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: Claim 1

Identification of prior art discussed:

General view of references cited.

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

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Called back 12/15: The stated "core" of invention is not, surface characteristics of the effluent line, is not stressed in the specification or the claims enough.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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